

Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary

Application No.

09/996,517

Applicant(s)

OCHI ET AL.

Examiner

Matthew O Savage

Art Unit

1724

All Participants:(1) Matthew O Savage.(2) Mr. Walter F. Fasse.**Status of Application:** _____

(3) _____

(4) _____

Date of Interview: 26 October 2004**Time:** _____**Type of Interview:**☒ Telephonic☐ Video Conference☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

Obviousness rejection of claims 7-13.

Claims discussed:

1, 8, and 10.

Prior art documents discussed:

*Art of record.***Part II.**

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

*See Continuation Sheet***Part III.**

- ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
- ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

(Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: Agreed to amend claim 7 to patently distinguish over the art of record, especially FIG. 13 of Kosar. Agreed to amend claims 8 and 10 to obviate a potential new matter rejection, the term "semi-circular" lacking literal basis in the original specification. See the attached examiner's amendment and reasons for allowance for details. .